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First Annual Kid's Safety Day at Millerton Lake State Recreation Area

FRIANT, Calif. —California State Parks at Millerton Lake State Recreation Area will celebrate the 1st Annual Kids' Safety Day Saturday, July 18, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This event is intended to encourage water safety for children while recreating at parks, rivers, and lakes in the Central Valley by wearing a lifejacket and swimming safe.

Children ages twelve years old and younger are invited to attend with their parents at the Grange Grove Picnic Grounds on the South Shore area of the park. The community will have an opportunity to learn from and talk with representatives from public safety agencies and organizations from throughout the San Joaquin Valley about being safe in the water and what to do in case of an emergency.

Children can expect to meet rescuers including State Park Rangers and Lifeguards, Sheriff Search and Rescue and Dive Teams from Fresno and Madera counties, CalFire firefighters, California Highway Patrol helicopter pilots and flight nurses, Naval Air Station Lemoore search and rescue sailors, SkyLife pilots and flight nurses, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary volunteers, and more. Come see the patrol boats, helicopters, fire engines, and police cars and trucks used to keep our lakes and waterways safe.

The California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways will be hosting a lifejacket trade-in station for anyone who brings an unserviceable lifejacket to the event.

Valley Children's Hospital and the Water Safe Council of Fresno County are partners with California State Parks for this event. This event is sponsored by the California State Lifeguard Association.

Standard day use parking fees of \$10 per vehicle apply. Lunch will be provided for children 12 years old and younger.

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